

THE PRESS CLUB DINNER.

Members and Their Guests Enjoy Them-selves at the Cochran.

HANDSOMELY DECORATED TABLES — A CHOICE MENU ADMIRABLY SERVED AND BRIGHT AND WITTY SPEECHES MAKE UP AN EVENING OF HAPPINESS TO THOSE WHO WERE PRESENT.

The National Capital Press Club gave its first formal dinner Saturday night at the Hotel Cochran. It was a huge and unequalled success, and the annual dinner is very likely to become one of the popular institutions of the club. When the first suggestion of such an event was made only a small and informal dinner party was contemplated, but the list of members who wished to attend and bring guests with them grew so rapidly that the club's quarters were entirely inadequate to accommodate them.

The tables, two long ones running the length of the room, with silver lines connecting them, were set in the manner of the most elaborate, and decorated with silver, glass cut-glass, and beautiful floral decorations. At the head of the table sat Mr. S. H. Kaufmann, the president of the club, with his guest, Mr. H. E. F. Macfarland, president of the Gridiron Club, at his right, and his left, Mr. J. C. Gandy, who acted as toastmaster and inaugiator general of the sports. His introductions were as graceful as his remarks were witty, and during the course of the evening he called on most of the guests. The event was a success, and the men in strict society just enjoyed what they thought of the newspapers and of newspaper men. It must have surprised some of the later to find out how much they were esteemed by the law-abiding and other citizens who were in an important position than those occupied in the political, social and religious worlds. If all that was said were true it should be as easy and pleasant to labor in the press galleries as to demolish a plate of diamond-back terrapin.

THE DECORATIONS AND MENU CARDS.

The decorations of the room and the tables were unusually elaborate and tasteful. Huge baskets and bunches of poppies, tulips, lilies, France roses and narcissus formed the various floral groups.

The menu cards, designed by Mr. George C. Coffin, had at the top an artistic sketch representing Bicheli, with a goose-quill pen as a weapon, engaged in a duel with a separator knife. Below this was a picture of the author in the class of the quotation, "Beneath the rule of man entirely great." In the upper left-hand corner was a representation of the "idle correspondent," in his shirt sleeves, burning the midnight gas, while in the lower right-hand corner was a picture of the author with his test cocked up on his desk and a glass of champagne in his hand. The menu was no choice as one could wish for. It was after 9 when the hundred or more members and guests of the club sat down and began their evening's work, and it was not until 12 o'clock that the hours. It was many hours later when the pleasant task was finished.

SOME WHO AROSE TO RESPOND.

Among those who were called on to speak, with or without subjects, during the course of the evening were:

Senator Noland, Senator Blackburn, Senator Daniel, Senator Squire, Mr. H. B. F. Macfarland, Congressman Hoar, Congressman McMillin, Representative C. C. Connelly, Senator, Congressman Cattell, Senator Simpson, Dr. H. H. Hetherington, Sixth Auditor Counter, Maj. Powell, W. A. Croft, Mr. George Alfred Townsend and others.

THOSE WHO PARTICIPATED.

Those who took part in the entertainment were the following:

Mr. H. E. F. Macfarland, president of the Gridiron Club; with Mr. S. H. Kaufmann, Representative A. C. Durbarow, with Mr. Walter Wellman.

Mr. R. J. Bright, John P. Sons and Mr. Samuel B. Hege, with Maj. Thomas B. Kirby, Representative Hosea M. Townsend, with Mr. Mr. Russell H. Scott.

Representatives W. F. Wilcox, Lewis Sperry, C. H. Turner and Mr. Thomas Coakley, with Mr. George Sawyer.

Mr. A. C. Connelly, with Mr. F. C. Campbell, Representative H. O. White, with Mr. W. A. Croft.

Representatives John R. Fellows and W. Bourke Cockran and Mr. John D. Crimmins, with Mr. Harry Walker.

Mr. D. E. Weston, with Mr. H. P. Godwin, Mr. William M. Stockbridge, with Mr. H. V. Oulahan.

Mr. D. P. McKeever, with Mr. J. A. Hutchison.

Mr. John O'Connor, Dr. Lawrence, Mr. W. L. Ladd, and Congressman Crain, with Mr. Francis J. O'Neill.

Postmaster Henry Sherwood, with Mr. J. Hadley Doyle.

Mr. J. C. Cutting, Lieut. J. J. Knapp, U.S.N.; Representative J. C. C. Connelly and Senator Daniel, with Mr. O'Connell.

Mr. Simon Wolf and Representative John C. Tarnay, with Mr. Richard Sylvester.

Representative John M. Wilson, with Mr. Clifford Rose.

Representative J. C. Blackburn, Senator Watson C. Cole, Sergeant-at-Arms, E. K. Valentine, and Col. R. A. Parke, with Mr. Charles B. Croft.

Mr. Cornelius Gardner.

Mr. Hobart Brooks.

Representative Jerry Simpson, with Mr. Frank P. Morgan.

Representative J. W. Owens, with Mr. H. L. Merrick.

Senator Charles H. Gibson, with Mr. F. P. Ferris.

Mr. Charles A. Conant.

Mr. Walter B. Stevens.

Mr. Thomas J. Murray.

Mr. W. J. Bryan, with Mr. E. J. Jones.

Mr. D. T. Walker and Representative Catchings, with Mr. John P. Miller.

Representatives Covert, Bunting and Perkins, with Mr. Charles A. Hamilton.

Dr. Edward Beebe, with Mr. Fred D. M. Sey.

Mr. G. W. Moore, with Mr. H. V. Oulahan.

Mr. George Alfred Townsend, with Mr. Edward Hudson.

Judge J. J. Noxon.

Mr. F. H. Horford.

Mr. S. E. Johnson.

The South Capitol Street Bridge Project.

A special meeting of the South Capitol Street Bridge Association was held in the parlors of the American House Thursday afternoon to hear the report of the special committee appointed to the project.

The report of the committee was adopted and a bill will be introduced in Congress next week asking for an appropriation for the survey of the ground by the Secretary of War.

A mass meeting of citizens of Prince George and the adjoining counties has been arranged for and the meeting will be held at Giesboro in a few days.

Mark Will Go to Ohio.

The inquiry as to the sanity of Miss Jackie will be on Saturday indefinitely suspended on condition that he should return to his home in Ohio and remain until he had entirely recovered his reason. Mr. Clarke was a clerk in the record and pension division of the War Department and had recently written letters to a number of the cabinet and others which were regarded as showing idiosyncrasies and the inquiry was started.

Estate Matters.

One Virginia Field has bought for \$20,000 lots 16 to 18, square 72, of W. M. Evans, 20x32 feet on 1st between East Capitol and A streets northeast.

George J. Boggs has purchased of C. E. Richardson for \$8,977.50 part 6, square 243-25a feet at the southwest corner of 10th street northwest. Also of E. D. Weston for \$2,000 lots 7 and 8, square 102, 20x34 feet by 56 feet, adjoining the above on the south, and of W. W. Goddard for \$7,000-20 part 6, 21 feet 4 inches, adjoining the above.

Do Not Fail to Read Julius Lansburgh's three columns of bargains on page 4.

WANTED--HELP.

WANTED—A CULTIVATED GERMAN LADY AS SERVANT TO TWO CHILDREN, 9 AND 11 YEARS OLD; WITH GENERAL HOUSEKEEPING SKILLS; COOKERY, AND KNOWLEDGE OF GERMAN COOKERY. \$1500. Box 100, Star office.

WANTED—A FIRST-CLASS OPERATOR TO WORK ON CORSETS. Address H. E. L. Star office.

WANTED—BY A FAMILY OF THREE, A PLAIN, COOLED, CLEANED, CITY REFRESHMENT, WITH ANY OTHER REFERENCES; ADDRESS ADDRESSEE. Star office.

WANTED—A CLARK WHO THOROUGHLY UNDERSTANDS BUSINESS; ADDRESS IN OWN WORDS. Please add 800 N. Q. st. n. w.

WANTED—A COLORED MAN TO TAKE CARE OF HORSES; GOOD REFERENCES REQUIRED. IV.

WANTED—EMPLOYMENT FOR MARRIED MAN; UNDERSTANDS DRIVING AND DRIVING OF HORSES; ALSO AS WATCHMAN OR SALESMAN; OR ANY OTHER HONORABLE EMPLOYMENT. PLEASE REFER TO ADDRESS. Star office.

WANTED—BY A COLORED WOMAN, SITUATION AS MAID, COOK, AND HOUSEKEEPER; ALL REFERENCES; PLEASE ADD 800 Q. st. n. w.

WANTED—BY A YOUNG GERMAN GIRL, A SMALL, SECOND FLOOR, FOR MARRIED MAN AND WIFE; WITH GOOD REFERENCES; ADDRESS ADDRESSEE. Star office.

WANTED—BY A MIDDLE-AGED WHITE MAN, TO WORK ON CORSETS. ADDRESS H. E. L. Star office.

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WANTED—COOKS, \$10 TO \$75; CHAMBERMAIDS, WAITERS, NURSES, LAUNDRIES, SCRUBBERS AND MAID-SERVANTS; ADDRESS H. E. L. Star office.

WANTED—WOMEN COOKS, \$10 TO \$75; CHAMBERMAIDS, WAITERS, NURSES, LAUNDRIES, SCRUBBERS AND MAID-SERVANTS; ADDRESS H. E. L. Star office.

WANTED—BY A COOK, \$10 TO \$75; CHAMBERMAIDS, WAITERS, NURSES, LAUNDRIES, SCRUBBERS AND MAID-SERVANTS; ADDRESS H. E. L. Star office.

WANTED—BY A NEAT, CAPABLE COLORED WOMAN, TO TAKE CARE OF A PRIVATE FAMILY. ADDRESS H. E. L. Star office.

WANTED—BOY IN BAKERIES, 1875 C. S. 7. S. W. B. W. Star office.

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